



ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION

Public Hearing Minutes

Boston City Hall, Piemonte Room
Boston, MA, 02201

JANUARY 14, 2021 ONLINE ONLY

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: *Nakeeda Burns John Bligh, Helen Pillsbury, Kirsten Hoffman, Sharon Cayley*

STAFF PRESENT: Nicholas Armata, Senior Preservation Planner

4:00 PM *Commissioner Burns called the public hearing to order. She explained that, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, that the public hearing was being conducted virtually via the online meeting platform Zoom in order to review Design Review applications. She also briefly explained how to participate in the online hearing. There were no members of the press present.*

Following this brief introduction she called the first violation application.

I. DESIGN

APP # 19.0239 AB 1954 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE *(Originally Approved on 8-2018)*

Applicant: Paul Alan Rufo, Esq.

Proposed Work: Extension of the original approval that involves moving existing structure forward and constructing a new apartment building at the rear of the property.

Project Representatives: *Paul Alan Rufo*

Documents Presented: *Existing conditions photographs, plans for project, shop drawings, elevations*

Discussion Topics (brief):

- Existing conditions
- Construction



- Safety of property
- Fear of condition of historic architecture
- Relation to neighboring structures
- Need for extension

Public Comment: Concern over safety issues by residents of surrounding buildings.

COMMISSIONER BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS, COMMISSIONER CAYLEY SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0-0 (NB, JB, SC, KH, HP).

II. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL: *In order to expedite the review process, the commission has delegated the approval of certain work items, such as those involving ordinary maintenance and repair, restoration or replacement, or which otherwise have a minimal impact on a building's appearance, to commission staff pending ratification at its monthly public hearing. **Having been identified as meeting these eligibility criteria and all applicable guidelines, the following applications will be approved at this hearing:***

► Applicants whose projects are listed under this heading **NEED NOT APPEAR** at the hearing. Following the hearing, you will be issued a Determination Sheet to present at the Inspectional Services Department (1010 Massachusetts Avenue) as proof of project approval when applying for permits. ISD personnel will send an electronic copy of your building-permit application to the commission staff for review. (To avoid potential confusion, the text of your building-permit application should be consistent with the project description given below.) Commission staff will accordingly authorize the execution of the work, attaching any applicable provisos, reflecting the relevant guidelines and precedents

► PLEASE NOTE THAT FOLLOWING ISSUANCE OF THE DETERMINATION SHEET NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE APPLICATIONS LISTED BELOW. The electronic building-permit application as annotated by commission staff will constitute your Certificate of Appropriateness; this will be valid for one year from the date of the hearing. The applicant is required to notify the commission of any project changes; failure to do so may affect the status of the approval.

If you have any questions not addressed by the above information, please contact staff at 617.635.3850 or southendldc@boston.gov. Thank you.



APP # 21.0542 AB 8 CHISWICK ROAD: At front and side façade visible from Chiswick Road level four, replace ten, 6 over 1, aluminum clad windows with ten, 6 over 1 aluminum clad windows.

**COMMISSIONER S. CAYLEY MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION;
COMMISSIONER N. BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0-0 (NB,
JB, SC, KH, HP).**

III. RATIFICATION OF MEETING MINUTES FROM 12/10/2020

**COMMISSIONER BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES;
COMMISSIONER S. CAYLEY SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS
APPROVED AS SUBMITTED 5-0-0 (NB, JB, SC, KH, HP).**

IV. STAFF UPDATES

V. ADJOURN – 5:15 PM

**COMMISSIONER BLYH MOTIONED TO ADJORN THE HEARING.
COMMISSIONER BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0 (LP,
HP, KH, SC).**